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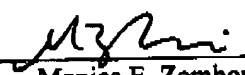
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Sir:

A two-month extension of time, to and including November 21, 2001, is requested for response to the Examiner's Action of June 21, 2001.

Please charge the \$400.00 2-month extension fee to the account of the undersigned, deposit account no. 23/2825. If the amount is incorrect, please charge any deficiency or credit overpayment to same. A duplicate of this Petition is enclosed.

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